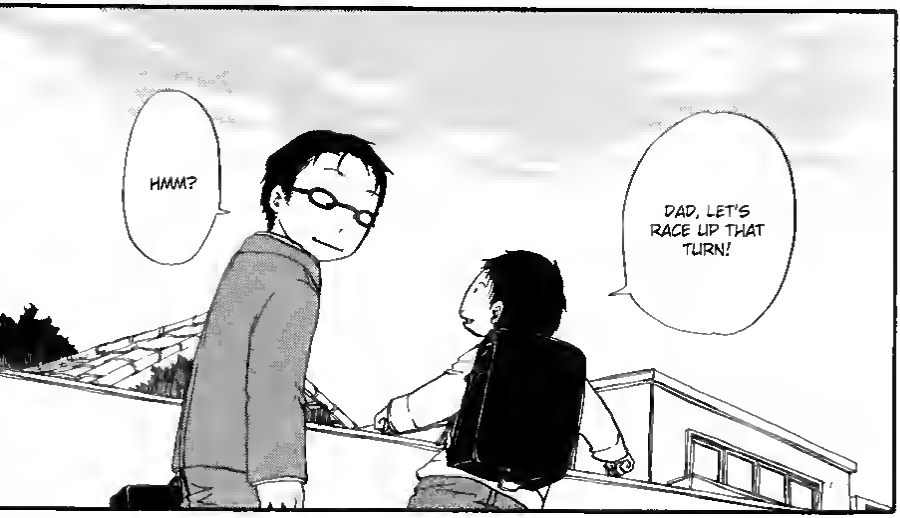
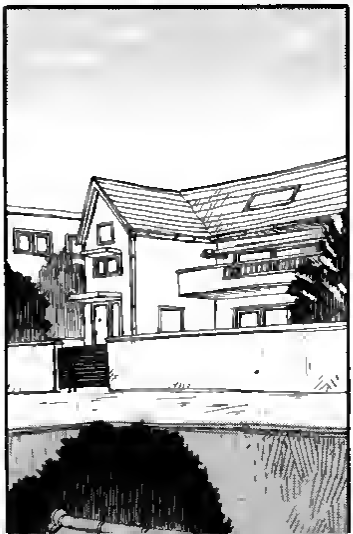
# Chapter Seven. Being a Man



RIKU, I HAVE A LOT OF WALKING TO DO AT WORK TODAY.
BAM!
WOOSH

RIKU, I'M GOING TO GET YOU!
AAH, TODAY IS ANOTHER DAY FOR HARD WORK!
GET SET...
THE THINGS YOU DO FOR FAMILY.
DAD DON'T LAG BEHIND!



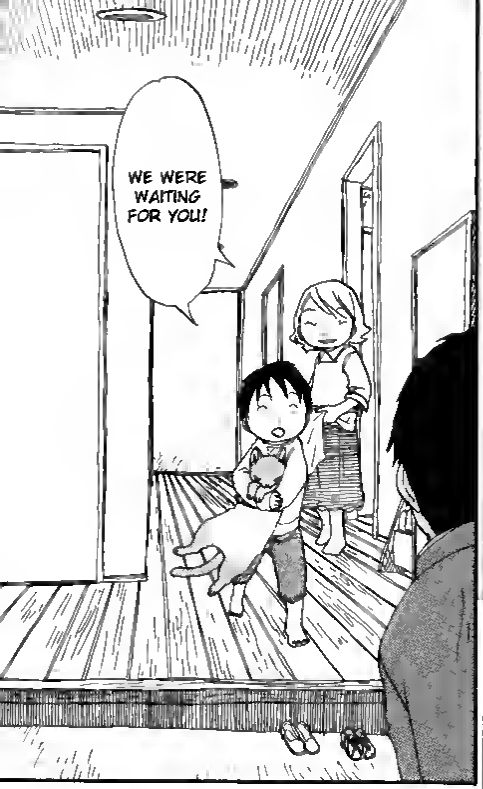
STOMP STOMP
MY SHOES!
WAAH! SCARY!

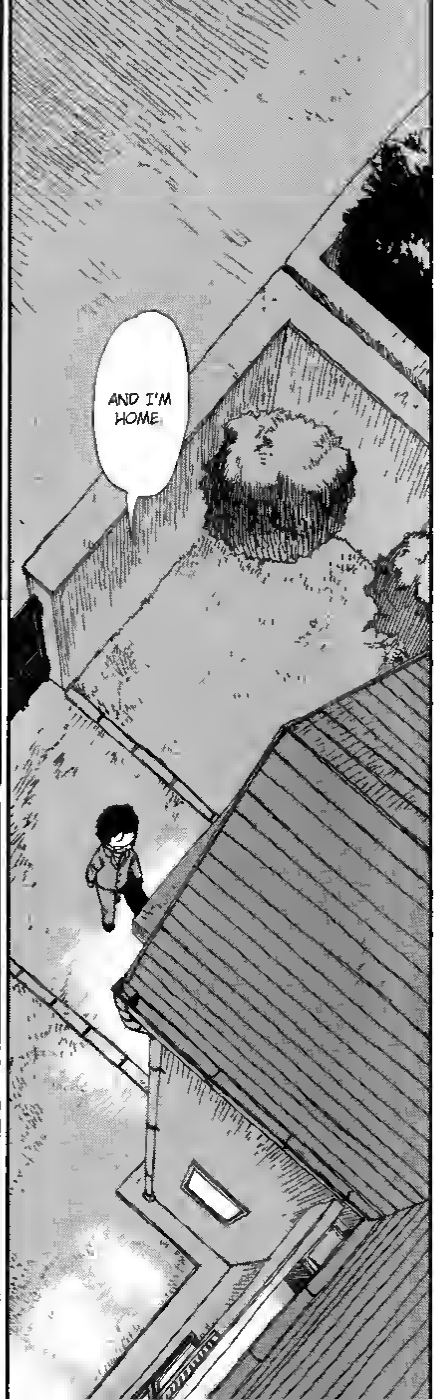
IT'S HUBBY'S.
OH! THERE'S A HOLE IN THIS SOCK!
Sigh...
a heap of laundry
Meow?
WHAT DO YOU THINK, STOCK-INGS?
HE PROBABLY WORKS VERY HARD.
JUST HOW MUCH DOES HE WALK AT WORK?
toss
BUT HUSBAND'S ALSO TEAR UP FAST
ROLL
IT'S OBVIOUS WITH RIKU, HE MOVES AROUND A LOT AT SCHOOL, SO HIS SOCKS ARE FAST TO WEAR OUT.

ONLY TWO MORE PLACES FOR TODAY.
IT'S GOING TO BE TOUGH WITH THIS COMPANY.
THEY ALREADY USE ANOTHER MANUFACTURER'S MACHINERY.
WELL, THE LEAST I CAN DO IS GIVE A PRESENTATION.
AND HAND OUT PAMPHLETS!
TWO MORE PLACES.
AND STRAIGHT HOME.
I'M HOME!
MOM, I'M BACK
WELCOME BACK, RIKU.

EH? STOCKINGS IS SLEEPING ON MY SOCKS!
HE DIDN'T PICK THIS SPOT OUT OF NOWHERE, RIGHT?
MAYBE HE LIKES THINGS THAT ARE FRESHLY LAUNDERED.
RIKU! DON'T JUST LEAVE YOUR BACK-PACK HERE, TAKE IT TO YOUR ROOM.
THIS MEANS "IT SMELLS".
turns round
STOCK-INGS!
!
SHUFFLE

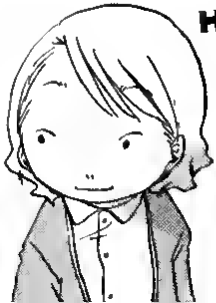
DAD AND I HAD A RACE TODAY.
OH?
RIKU, DAD'S GOING TO BE HOME SOON
START DOING YOUR HOMEWORK.
OKAY.
DAD.
HE RAN SO FAST.
AND WHO WON?
JUST A TINY BIT MORE.
AND JUST A LITTLE BIT LONGER.


WE WERE WAITING FOR YOU!


AND I'M HOME.

REALLY?

ARE YOU TIRED, DEAR?
TODAY - VERY
AHH...
MY LEGS ARE SO STIFF
?
WHAT'S THE MATTER?
PSSSSSSSSSSSS
IT SMELLS ...



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